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Mayor Dixon's It's Your Neighborhood – Make a Difference **Fall Cleanup**

Saturday, October 20, 2007 Volunteers are urged to sign up Now!

Do you know that weeding and removing overgrown grass from sidewalks and gutters and around the street trees in front of your home or business are your responsibility?

Do you know that cleaning your sidewalks and along your curbs and in your alley is your responsibility?

Do you know that keeping your neighborhood clean is vital to your health and to the economic well-being of Baltimore?

Cleaning should be an everyday event, but twice each year, Baltimore City residents and businesses join together with City government to perform citywide housecleaning.

On Saturday, October 20, beginning at 8 a.m., during Mayor Sheila Dixon's It's Your Neighborhood – Make a Difference Fall Cleanup, residents, businesses, volunteers and City workers will come together to address those grimy areas where a little extra elbow grease is needed. This event will give everyone the opportunity to pitch-in by helping to remove weeds, trash and debris in neighborhoods and from vacant lots, yards, alleys and sidewalks. Joining the Mayor and citizen volunteers in "making a difference" will be volunteers and workers from the Baltimore County Department of Public Works. Together they will clean selected locations bordering both jurisdictions.

On October 20, City agencies will help by clearing storm drains, cutting grass, trimming and planting trees. The Departments of Public Works, Transportation, Recreation and Parks and the Mayor's Office of Neighborhoods will provide volunteers with rakes, brooms and shovels and remove the collected debris.

In April of this year, 5,500 volunteers from 260 communities came together to remove 460 tons of trash and debris from Baltimore City neighborhoods.

You can *make a difference* by signing up for this event now! To register for the Fall Cleanup or for more information, citizens should call 410-396-1209 or register on-line at www.BaltimoreCity.gov. Cleaning is important all year-round, but to participate in the Fall Cleanup, you must register by October 12.



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